

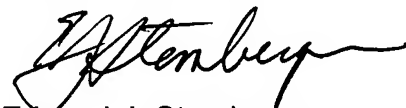
**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and entry of the above amendments and these remarks are respectfully requested. Claims 7 and 16-30 are canceled. Claims 1-6 and 8-15 are pending.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-6 and 8-15 are allowed. To place this application in condition for allowance expeditiously, non elected claims 16-18 and 21-30 have been canceled along with rejected claims 19 and 20.

All rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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